

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD  
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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**

**LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC.  
SANTA ANITA PARK**

**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**WEEK 11 – THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2018, THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018.**

**WEDNESDAY**

6/20/18<sup>1</sup>

Grant Baker was present for entries for Saturday which closed with twelve races carded. He was also available for routine issues during this period.

**THURSDAY**

6/21/18<sup>1</sup>

**HELLUM RULING**

The following ruling was issued after MR. HELLUM did not comply with the stipulations listed in CHRB ruling LATS #167.

**LATS RULING #209**

Owner/Trainer LANCE HELUM, having failed to comply with the provisions set forth in LATS Ruling #167 (May 6, 2018), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to complete Winners' Foundation meetings and pay the fine).

6/21/18<sup>2</sup>

**FUSCO MEETING**

Supervising Investigator Phillip Miyazaki brought groom ALAN FUSCO who was suspended in 2015 for 1874 (Disorderly Conduct-assault), CHRB ruling LATS #101, dated May 7, 2015 to the Stewards' office. This ruling required Mr. Fusco to have a fitness for license hearing before renewing his license. At the Stewards' request, Winner's Foundation Executive Director Darin Scharer sat in on the gathering. After conversation with the participants Mr. Fusco was directed to comply with Darin Scharer's requirements for the next three months and at that juncture his case would be revisited.

6/21/18<sup>3</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice EDGAR PAYERAS met with the Stewards to review the fourth race Sunday that involved an inquiry and jockey objection (ref 06-17-18<sup>4</sup>). In late stretch Mr. Payeras drifted

inward applying pressure to a horse to his inside. He was cautioned to be more aware and he agreed to do so.

GIOVANNI FRANCO met with the Stewards to review his finishing effort in the ninth race on Sunday. Mr. Franco stated he had the horse's best interest in mind when it became extremely tired. It was the horse's second life time start and its first route distance. The majority decided to turn this incident over to the investigators for further research.

6/21/18<sup>4</sup>

**FINANCIAL WITHDRAWN CASE #18SA0157**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule 1876) was filed by K C Horse Transportation against owner STEVE SIMONOVIC in the amount of \$6,343.83. After verification the debt was paid in full, the complaint was withdrawn.

6/21/18<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race	#3 MONGOLIAN WINDOW (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. P. Miller #7 TEMPLE PRINCESS (Tr. J. Mullins) Steward-entered back. Refund \$287.28
2nd race	#3 STUDLY PERFECTION (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. J. Thomas Refund \$60.00; Minus Pool \$57.54
3rd race	#4 SHE ROCKS THE LOOK (Tr. P. Miller) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Farmer Refund \$545.56
4th race	#1 QUILT (Tr. R. Rosales) Veterinarian-sick #2 BAD AN BOUGIE (Tr. M. Machowsky) J. Talamo replaced M. Pedroza (sick) Refund \$435.78
5th race	No Changes; Refund \$190.86
6th race	#2 LOOKING AT THE LAKE (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. A. Sherman #5 JUST BE HELD (Tr. G. Vallejo) claimed by Tr. C. Dollase #6 DURANGA (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead #7 PARTY HOSTESS (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed by Tr. J. Periban #8 RANSOMED (Tr. S. Gonzalez) claimed by Tr. B. Spawr. Refund \$720.70
7th race	#3 WIND TARTARE (FR) (Tr. R. Baltas) Veterinarian-injured- Dr. Farmer Refund \$483.93
8th race	#5 TRUE TESTAMENT (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead #7 KALSA (Tr. L. Barocco) Steward-full field #12 SMART RACHEL (Tr. H. Palma) Steward-full field. Refund \$772.69

6/21/18<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,350	\$507,988.97
SCOTWinc	3,234	\$940,025.40
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,096,116.56
Total	6,584	\$5,544,130.93

FRIDAY

6/22/18<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

COREY NAKATANI appeared a day late to review his cropping in Sunday's eighth race. Mr. Nakatani was candid in admitting he violated the crop rule, also he stated he forgot to meet with the Stewards yesterday and the following two rulings were issued.

**LATS RULING #210**

Jockey COREY NAKATANI is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in

succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – third offense in last 60 days; last offense May 11, 2018), during the eighth race at Santa Anita Park on June 17, 2018.

**LATS RULING #211**

Jockey COREY NAKATANI is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to attend Stewards' film review) on June 21, 2018.

STEWART ELLIOTT met with the Stewards as directed to review his actions out of the gate in the third race. He was informed the Stewards need to see a quicker response to correct his mount out of the gate. Warning.

6/22/18<sup>2</sup>

**O'NEILL FORMAL HEARING CASE #18SA0096**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against trainer DOUG O'NEILL for violation of CHRB rules 1843 (a)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), 1844(c) (Authorized Medication), 1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) and 1843.1 (b) (Prohibited Drug Substances). After requesting two continuances, Mr. O'Neill was unable to attend due to personal reasons.

Present before the BOS were assistant trainer for Doug O'Neill, Leandro Mora, practicing veterinarian Ryan Carpenter, CHRB Equine Medical Director Rick Arthur, representing the CHRB, Investigator Greg Icamen and court reporter Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings.

On April 5, 2018 at Santa Anita Park the O'Neill trainee "Reign On" who finished first in the first race was post race tested by UC Davis and was found to contain a class four substance of Phenylbutazone, level of 0.77 ug/ml and Flunixin level of 9.7 ug/ml. This is a category C penalty. Dr. Carpenter explained since the double NSAID the O'Neill stable has revised its medication program when there is an early post and or a small horse that might not metabolize the medication as quickly as a big horse. Dr. Arthur shared his opinions as to why overages occur without a participant trying to push the envelope. All testimony was heard, documents were entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

6/22/18<sup>3</sup>

**SMOOTH SAILING**

The eight race program was conducted without a ripple.

6/22/18<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race	#3 SOUTHERN WARLORD (Tr. K. Mulhall) ambulance removed post-race #4 HONEYMOONZ OVER (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Farmer #7 WILD LANDO (Tr. P. D'Amato) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead. Refund \$3,414.06
2nd race	#1 CATS BLAME (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. J. Hollendorfer #2 ALLABOUTACTION (Tr. C. Treece) claimed by Tr. P. Miller #4 RED CARPET CAT (Tr. J. Wong) claimed by Tr. R.B. Hess Jr. Refund \$34.00
3rd race	#2 ROYAL OPERA HOUSE (IRE) (Tr. A. Marquez) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Farmer #3 TWIRLING TIGER (Tr. J. Carava) claimed by Tr. C. Treece #5 RATE FOR ME (Tr. A. Kitchingman) claimed by Tr. J. Metz #6 AWESOME HEIGHTS (Tr. N. Drysdale) claimed by Tr. G. Vallejo. Refund \$1,249.88
4th race	No Changes; Refund \$0
5th race	#7 POPULAR KID (Tr. J. Carava) claimed by Tr. Doug O'Neill. Refund \$0
6th race	No Changes; Refund \$94.75

7th race            No Changes; Refund \$117.00  
 8th race            #3 A LITTLEST BIT ME (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Farmer  
                          Refund \$1,009.10

6/22/18<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,634	\$645,744.03
SCOTWinc	3,773	\$1,165,292.73
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,963,996.11
Total	7,407	\$6,775,032.87

**SATURDAY**

6/23/18<sup>1</sup>

**POST TIME CHANGE, JUSTIFIED**

Due to the large crowd at Santa Anita (Justify) the post times were readjusted (more time between races) which moved last race post time from 5:58 to 6:11.

6/23/18<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice ASA ESPINOZA along with his agent Brian Beach met with the Stewards to review the transition of the 6 1/2 hillside turf course in which he veered inward applying pressure to two horses to his inside. The inside rail was set at thirty feet, Mr. Espinoza was cautioned to be aware when the rail is out so far. He stated he understood.

TYLER BAZE met with the Stewards to review the stretch run in the eighth race yesterday in which he crossed over in front of another horse without sufficient clearance. Mr. Baze admitted he could have done better. Warning.

6/23/18<sup>3</sup>

**O'NEILL RULING ref 06-22-18<sup>2</sup>**

The following ruling was issued after the decision was made to issue the minimum recommended penalty for the medication violation.

**LATS RULING #213**

Trainer DOUG O'NEILL who started the horse "REIGN ON", which finished first in the first race at Santa Anita Park on April 5, 2018 is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1844 (c) (Authorized Medication – phenylbutazone [0.77 ug/ml] and flunixin [9.7 ng/ml]).

6/23/18<sup>4</sup>

**FINANCIAL WITHDRAWN CASE #18SA0163**

Farm owner/horse owner George Yager (BG Thoroughbred Farm) requested the financial complaint he filed against jockey JOSE VERENZUELA be withdrawn and it was signed off as such.

6/23/18<sup>5</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

The twelve race program was conducted without notable incident.

6/23/18<sup>6</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race            No Changes; Refund \$0  
 2nd race            No Changes; Refund \$0  
 3rd race            #5 INCENSED (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. A. Kitchingman  
                          #6 MOONLIGHT DRIVE (ITY) claimed by Tr. K. Mulhall  
                          #7 EXCITEMENT (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler. Refund \$5.00  
 4th race            #2 SILVERSPUN PICKUP (Tr. Machowsky) claimed by Tr. J. Carava. Refund \$14.00

5th race #2 AVENTADOR (FR) (Tr. J. Metz). Refund \$291.80  
 6th race #7 ISEE ITIN HISSES (Tr. R. De Leon) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead  
 Refund \$369.30  
 7th race #1 IKE WALKER (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. J. Hollendorfer  
 #3 CLEAR THE MINE (Tr. V. Cerin) claimed by Tr. D. Jacobson. Refund \$38.00  
 8th race No Changes; Refund \$33.00  
 9th race #7 CEE'S WILD (Tr. G. Stute) Steward-full field. Refund \$551.56  
 10th race No Changes; Refund \$10.00  
 11th race No Changes; Refund \$33.00  
 12th race #1 TIZ GOLDILUX (Tr. M. Jones) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Farmer. Refund \$535.90

6/23/18<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	17,403	\$1,830,847.58
SCOTWinc	6,256	\$2,274,850.18
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$10,137,438.60
Total	23,659	\$14,243,136.36

**SUNDAY**

6/24/18<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Tiago Pereira met with the Stewards to review his crop action after the finish line in the eighth race yesterday. Mr. Pereira slapped his horse on the neck in frustration two strides past the wire. This BOS felt it was not worthy of a penalty but he was informed this was his only warning for this kind of action. He stated he understood.

6/24/18<sup>2</sup>

**SMITH CASE #18SA0164**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule 1876) was filed by B G Thoroughbred Farm against owner Eric Smith in the amount of \$36,451.82. Mr. Smith failed to appear as memorialized in the following ruling.

**LATS RULING #214**

Owner ERIC SMITH having failed to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - \$36,451.82 to B G Thoroughbred Farm) is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of ERIC SMITH are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend and Fine), ERIC SMITH is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

6/24/18<sup>3</sup>

**RIVERA HEARING CASE #18SA0165**

Owner George Yager and trainer Hector Palma, owners of B G Thoroughbred Farm, appeared with assistant trainer Sally Rivera for a farm bill in the amount of \$27,500.00. A financial agreement was formulated and the complaint was signed off.

6/24/18<sup>4</sup>

**INQUIRY FIRST RACE NO CHANGE**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch that involved #1 AIP'S SECRET (S. Elliott 7<sup>th</sup>), 2 NICE HAIRCUT (M. Gutierrez 6<sup>th</sup>), #5 BABY FRANKIE (K. Desormeaux 3<sup>rd</sup>) and #6 SAVAGERY (F. Prat 5<sup>th</sup>).

After a review of the available video angles in a unanimous decision there was no change in the original order of finish. All four horses listed above were involved in minor bumping incidents.

6/24/18<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> race #3 YOU MUST CHILL (Tr. Papaprodromou) Veterinarian–unsound–Dr. Farmer  
Refund \$856.75

2<sup>nd</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$4.00

3<sup>rd</sup> race #1 VENDING MACHINE (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. J. Mullins  
#2 ELWOOD J(Tr. E. Truman) Veterinarian – sick – Dr. Stead  
#4 SKELTON PASS (Tr. J. Sierra) claimed by Tr. C. Treece. Refund \$383.68

4<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$6.00; Minus Pool \$550.86

5<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$240.30

6<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$27.00

7<sup>th</sup> race #9 REVENUE VIRGINIUS (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) Veterinarian – sick – Dr. Farmer  
#10 LETHAL LEGACY (Tr. G. Stute) Veterinarian – flipped in the gate – Dr. Stead  
Refund \$738.69

8<sup>th</sup> race #2 CHASIN LUCAS (M. Glatt) Veterinarian- flipped in gate –Dr. Stead  
#7 WHOA NESSIE (Tr. D. O’Neill) Veterinarian – sick – Dr. Stead  
Refund \$217,657.89

9<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$507.50

10<sup>th</sup> race #6 ADENS DREAM (Tr. J. Sadler) Veterinarian – sick – Dr. Stead.  
Refund \$3,203.81

11<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$0

6/24/18<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track		\$1,943,777.36
SCOTWinc		\$2,129,307.68
Out of state + ADW		\$13,989,646.58
Total		\$18,062,731.62

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

**SANTA ANITA PARK - VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 6/18/18 - 6/24/18**

Horses on Vet List 22  
Horses off Vet List 11  
Shock Wave Therapy 27  
Fatalities 0  
Medication 0

## SUMMARY

	Thurs 6/21/18	Fri 6/22/18	Sat 6/23/18	Sun 6/24/18	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	14
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	1	1	4	136
Claims	6	7	7	2	22	362
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	16
Inquiries	0	0	0	1	1	63
Refunds	8	6	10	11	35	620
Rulings	1	3	1	1	6	214
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	42

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

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Grant W. Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward